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### Modeling and Querying Multidimensional Data Sources in Siebel Analytics: A Federated Relational System

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### **ABSTRACT**

Large organizations have a multitude of data sources across the enterprise and want to obtain business value from all of them. While the majority of these data sources may be consolidated in an enterprise data warehouse, many business units have their own data marts where analysis is carried out against data stored in multidimensional data structures. It is often critical to pose queries which span both these sources. This is a challenge since these sources have differing models and query languages (SQL vs MDX). The Siebel Analytics Server enables this requirement to be fulfilled. In this paper, we describe how the multidimensional metadata is modeled relationally within Siebel Analytics, efficient SQL to MDX translation algorithms and the conversion protocols required to convert a multidimensional result into a relational rowset.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Most companies have made significant investments in data warehousing technologies and business intelligence tools to maximize the value of their enterprise wide information. While the majority of the data may be loaded and transformed into a central data warehouse, there still remain other data sources in the organization which are extremely valuable but are not in the warehouse.

The ability to query multiple federated data sources is key for answering critical business queries. For example, finance departments typically use multidimensional databases for budgeting that allow them to carry out sophisticated calculations that cannot be performed in a relational database. A common query compares budgets versus actuals where the actuals are stored in a data warehouse. Another example is real time reporting where a single report may need up to the minute headcount data from the HR system along with the latest information on the sales pipeline from the front office systems.

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The problem of federation has been addressed extensively by the database community both in general and with regard to support for specific data sources [1, 5, 6]. In this paper, we address the problem of integrating multidimensional data sources in a federated system. Multidimensional data sources typically have custom access methods with their own proprietary query languages and API's. Most of the vendors in this segment now support the XMLA standard [4], an open industry-standard web services interface designed for online analytical processing (OLAP). The existence of a common standard supported by a large number of vendors has made it viable to invest resources in devising algorithms and techniques for federating this class of data sources.

Federating multidimensional systems is challenging. These systems have a rich set of metadata that includes dimensions with multiple hierarchies and measures with aggregation rules. This rich metadata does not have any direct analog in the relational world but still has to be used to pose meaningful queries against these data sources. There exists a powerful query language MDX which has a number of specialized operators over this metadata and returns results in the form of a multidimensional dataset rather than a rowset. In this paper, we describe how these issues are addressed in the context of the Siebel Analytics Server, a federated relational system.

The structure of the paper is as described below. In Section 2, we discuss the architecture of the Analytics Server with an emphasis on query processing and data modeling. We define the scope of the multidimensional data source federation problem. In Section 3, we provide an overview of multidimensional data sources, the MDX query language and the XMLA protocol. In Section 4, we describe how multidimensional metadata is modeled within Siebel Analytics. In Section 5, we address how to generate MDX queries from combination of an internal query plan representation and multidimensional data source specific metadata. We describe how the multidimensional result set is converted back into rowsets. Section 6 summarizes the contributions of this paper and discusses areas of future work.

## 2. ARCHITECTURE OF THE SIEBEL ANALYTICS SERVER

The Siebel Analytics Server is an ANSI SQL compliant query server at the core of Siebel's Analytics/Business Intelligence Suite. The Siebel Analytics Suite has a web based front end (Siebel Analytics Web) which issues SQL queries to the Analytics Server via the ODBC protocol. These queries are posed against logical tables, a concept we describe below. The logical queries are translated into the appropriate queries against physical back end databases. The results from the backend databases are combined and further manipulated before being returned to the client. In summary, the Analytics Server is a federated relational system with the capability of query execution but without a storage subsystem.

The SQL queries sent to the Analytics Server are posed against a logical business model. A business model presents business information in a manner that parallels business analysts' understanding of the business structure rather than the physical structure in which the data may be stored. The business model contains dimensions, hierarchies, levels, measures and other data warehousing concepts. Note that unlike multidimensional data sources, the internals are purely relational; these objects serve as an aid to modeling.

A key concept required to support business models is the *logical table*. A logical table consisting of one or more logical columns is an abstraction above a physical table. It can be a subset of a physical table (a subset of columns or a subset of rows); it can combine the contents of two or more physical tables or it can be derived from other logical tables. Typically, logical tables reduce complexity in the information model because a single logical table can map to multiple physical tables. Similarly, a logical column is an abstraction above a physical column. It can be mapped to one or more physical columns, to a scalar expression involving physical columns or to other logical columns.

Logical tables and columns can be mapped to multiple sources. These sources can originate from multiple databases of the same or different types. This federation capability supports horizontal and vertical fragmentation across data sources. The ability to specify alternative data sources allows users to model replicated data sources as well as support aggregation navigation by specifying alternative sources at different levels of granularity. The relationships between logical tables are specified in terms of joins. These joins may be foreign key joins based on logical keys specified for each logical table, or outer joins. The repository has metadata pertaining to the physical data sources being mapped. This includes connectivity information, information about the type of the data source and a features table describing the capabilities of the data source.

During query processing the Analytics Server takes a SQL query as input, parses it and converts it into internal data structures. Based on the metadata information, it deduces which physical tables correspond to the logical tables referred to in the query and produces an initial query plan in terms of these tables. All aggregate navigation is carried out at this point. This initial query plan is then optimized by a rule based query compiler. The query compiler carries out optimizations like pushing aggregations below joins as well as transformations required to convert the plan to a state where we can generate SQL to ship to one or more backend databases. This includes determining which operations should be executed remotely and which operations should be executed within the Analytics Server. The goal is to execute as much functionality as possible at the back end database. This has the obvious advantage of transporting as small a set of data from the back end database(s) to the Analytics Server which is typically a dominant cost in query processing. Post processing steps are carried out on the results of the query and the results are then shipped back to the client.

We now examine the areas impacted by the requirement to support multidimensional data sources. Multidimensional data sources are modeled in the physical layer of the metadata repository as a new database type and are mapped to the business model layer in an identical fashion to relational databases. Since users construct queries against the business model, the physical data sources are completely transparent to them. The joins between multidimensional data sources and relational data sources are specified in the business model layer.

Supporting multidimensional data sources requires specialized metadata for hierarchies and levels to enable us to generate MDX rather than SQL. Since the structure of a query plan is relational, in essence our multidimensional code generation module is a SQL to MDX translator. Our design goal is to ship as broad a class of queries as possible — the ability to push down GROUP BY's being especially important. This satisfies the goal of this project which is the ability to efficiently combine data from relational and multidimensional data sources.

# 3. MULTIDIMENSIONAL DATA SOURCES, MDX AND THE XMLA PROTOCOL

Multidimensional data sources typically present the user with a dimensional view of data. The data is typically organized around two key concepts: dimensions and measures. Each dimension can have one or more hierarchies. For example the Time dimension may have a Year-> Quarter-> Month->Day hierarchy and/or a Year->Week hierarchy. Measures are metrics that are of business interest like profit or sales. Multidimensional data sources are organized as cubes which consist of a collection of dimensions and measures. Many useful business questions are answered by obtaining the value of one or more measures for selected combinations of dimensional values. This form of data modeling is typical in data warehousing scenarios [2].

Multidimensional data providers often have their own storage subsystems which are optimized for efficient access of dimensional queries. These storage subsystems use extensive precalculation of aggregates at various levels to provide efficient performance. Many vendor products use the term OLAP (Online Analytical Processing) to describe this space. The terms MOLAP and ROLAP are used to distinguish between the storage mechanism used: ROLAP products use relational storage while MOLAP products use multidimensional data structures. HOLAP systems combine aspects of both.

One barrier to wider adoption of multidimensional data providers has been the absence of a standard interface for access. The XMLA standard [4] addresses this gap. It has two methods: DISCOVER and EXECUTE. The DISCOVER method is used to obtain information about the metadata. It returns a list of cubes available for querying along with details of their dimensions, hierarchies, levels and measures in an XML format. The DISCOVER call is invoked on a URL. The EXECUTE method is used to send queries for execution to an XMLA data source. This consists of sending an MDX query for execution.

The MDX language is specialized for querying multidimensional data. MDX has rich functionality for manipulating members and sets of members of a dimension by means of functions like Ancestors() and Descendants(). Specialized constructs for Time Series calculations exist. Some business calculations require different aggregation rules to be carried on different dimensions; MDX has the concept of a solve order for dealing with dimensional formula precedence. Advanced MDX concepts are described in detail in [3], we will focus on the subset of MDX that the Analytics Server generates.

A key difference between a MDX query and a SQL query is that a MDX query returns a multidimensional grid of cells as output to a query. The number of dimensions in this grid depends upon the number of axes specified in the query. Each axis of a query is composed of a set of tuples each of which can have one or more dimensions. A zero axis query will still return a single cell as output to the query. The basic structure of a MDX query is as shown below.

In the template above, the cube specification is the name of the cube being queried. This is a single cube name and unlike SQL there is no syntax for specifying joins. The WHERE clause is optional and is referred to as the slicer axis. The MDX WHERE clause is semantically distinct from its usage in SQL; it serves the purpose of restricting dimensions not explicitly specified in the SELECT clause to values specified in a tuple. We make this clearer by means of an example.

This query requests Profit for stores in California for the years 2002 and 2003. The output is a grid with two cells, one containing the profit for 2002 and the other for 2003. The slicer axis ensures that the profit is calculated only for California. We have not explicitly specified the aggregation rule, this is defined in the cube metadata. Note that there is syntax for explicitly referring to dimensional members. While in this query there is a two dimensional grid as output, a greater number of axes can be specified.

# 4. MODELING MULTIDIMENSIONAL DATA SOURCES IN SIEBEL ANALYTICS METADATA

We now describe how to model multidimensional data sources in Siebel Analytics. We map a multidimensional data source to a *cubetable* in the physical level of the metadata repository. This can be carried out automatically by using the import functionality of the metadata administration tool which obtains the relevant metadata from the specified XMLA provider. The import

functionalty uses the DISCOVER call of the XMLA protocol to map the metadata obtained into the Siebel Analytics primitives described below. A cubetable is a special version of a relational table augmented with special metadata that allows us to generate MDX queries against the datasource. In all other respects it behaves identically to a relational table. Cubetables are mapped to the logical layer of the repository in the same manner as relational tables. During query processing, MDX will be generated against cubetables rather than SQL.

Each cubetable is based on a single multidimensional cube. A cubetable consists of cube columns. A cube column behaves in the same function as a regular column but is annotated with special metadata (hierarchy and level information) used only for MDX code generation purposes. A cube column can either be a measure or a dimensional column. Cube Columns which are measures are annotated with an aggregation rule (For example, sales may be associated with aggregation rule SUM. This information is normally available for non-derived aggregation rules via the XMLA protocol). Dimensional columns are either level keys or properties. A level key uniquely denotes a level of a hierarchy while a property is functionally dependent upon a level key. We illustrate this by means of an example.

Consider a cube with two hierarchies: Time: Year-> Quarter -> Month and Geography: State -> City -> Store Name. Store Name has the property Store Manager. We have two measures Profit and Sales which both have aggregation rule SUM associated with them. We wish to map this cube into a cube table T.

The resultant cube table T has the following cube columns (Year, Quarter, Month, State, City, Store Name, Manager, Profit, Sales). Profit and Sales are labeled as measures and have the aggregation rule SUM associated with them. The cube table T has two hierarchies Time and Geography associated with it. Time has the following levels: Year, Quarter and Month. Each of these levels has a level key of the same name associated with it. The Geography hierarchy has 3 levels: State, City and Store Name. Each level has a level key of the same name associated with it. Additionally, the Store Name level has Store Manager associated with it as a property. Cube Table T has a primary key which is the set of all cube columns which are also level keys. In this example this consists of the set (Year, Quarter, Month, State, City, Store Name). Both measures are functionally dependent upon the key.

We have some restrictions on how cubes can be mapped to cubetables. A single cubetable can contain only one hierarchy per dimension. If a user needs to map additional hierarchies, an additional cubetable will have to be created. Additionally, we assume that the hierarchy is a homogeneous, balanced hierarchy. This implies that every node of every level in the hierarchy is of the same type and every branch of the hierarchy has the same number of levels. This framework does not model parent child hierarchies which are self joining hierarchies where the number of levels is not explicitly specified up front. A typical example of these hierarchies is to model employee-manager relationships.

## 5. MDX CODE GENERATION AND OUERY PROCESSING

We now examine the steps taken to process a query. We then outline the issues specific to queries that reference a multidimensional data source and describe how they are handled.

- The user poses a SQL query against the logical model built in the Siebel Analytics metadata. This is converted into a logical query representation.
- The navigator transforms the logical query into a plan comprised solely of objects from the physical backend data sources.
- The query compiler/optimizer refines the query plan. At the completion of this phase the query plan is ready for execution. Note that this plan is purely relational in nature.
- 4. The execution plan may reference multiple physical tables. The plan is marked appropriately with indications of where each operation will be executed. Multidatabase joins and other post processing operations are marked for execution in the middle tier.
- 5. In a relational setting, the data corresponding to the portion of a query plan marked for remote execution can be obtained by converting the required portion of the plan into a SQL query. This conversion is referred to as code generation and results in the appropriate vendor dialect of SQL being produced.
- After execution of the SQL queries, data is fetched to the Analytics Server. Post processing is carried out and the resulting rowset is returned to the client

The overall flow of query processing requires modification when a backend data source is multidimensional. In step 5 we produce a SQL query from a relational query plan fragment. For multidimensional data sources MDX rather than SQL is generated. This problem is referred to as the MDX Code Generation problem for the remainder of this paper. In step 6, we refer to post processing carried out in the server on rowsets. However, the response to a MDX query is a multidimensional data set (in XML) and not a rowset. An unpivoting protocol is required which specifies how to convert from a multidimensional data set to a rowset. We first examine a simple unpivoting protocol in detail before moving to the broader problem of MDX Code Generation.

We describe a simple protocol used for Microsoft Analysis Server. We restrict the class of MDX queries to two dimensions. This implies that we will have a two dimensional grid of result cells. The XML output file consists of a set of tuples on columns, a set of tuples on rows and the two dimensional result set of cells delimited by these rows and columns. Each cell has a unique index. This index is determined by a formula specified in the XMLA protocol. We construct a rowset from this XML file as follows. All tuples specified on columns are ignored. In the class of MDX queries we intend to generate the columns tuples will be containing the names of the measures in the query and will not contain any data required for the resulting rowset. We construct each row by appending each row tuple with the cells from that row. This is illustrated in the example below.

Example: We describe how an intermediate rowset is constructed for the MDX query below.

```
{[Measures].[Sales]} on COLUMNS,
{Crossjoin({{Year}.Members},
```

{[Products].[Soda].Members)) on ROWS

FROM [Sales

SELECT

The XML output file will contain the member [Measures].[Sales] as the column tuple. Let the tuples returned on rows be (1998, Pepsi), (1998,Coke), (1997,Pepsi), (1997,Coke). We construct a rowset by appending the appropriate cell values to each row tuple.

The methodology described in the previous paragraph enables us to transform an XML output file into a rowset. However, the MDX query generated may not have an exact correspondence with the execution plan. This could be for a number of reasons: (1) All MDX queries return a measure even for dimensional only queries where the default measure is returned. This additional column in the obtained rowset may need to be pruned. (2) We may require a different ordering of columns in the project list. In the scheme specified earlier, all measures columns will be in columns following dimensional members of the row tuples.

Correct ordering of columns can be ensured by using a simple protocol consisting of a list of integers. The list (2, 1, 4) implies that the mappings between the intermediate rowset and the final rowset are as follows. Intermediate Column(IC) 2 maps to Final Column(FC) 1, IC 1 maps to FC2 and IC 4 maps to FC 3. Note that not every column in the intermediate rowset has to map to a column in the final rowset. Every MDX query generated would have a corresponding protocol list generated. Different data sources may have different mapping protocols. The more complex this protocol, the greater is the overhead of middle tier processing.

### 5.1 MDX Code Generation

MDX code generation aims to generate a query based on the portion of the query execution plan marked for execution at the multidimensional database. The query plan is relational, in essence we are trying to translate SQL to MDX. We translate a subset of SQL corresponding to the template below.

```
SELECT c1, c2..., aggr(m1), aggr(m2)
FROM Table
WHERE <conditions>
GROUP BY c1, c2...
HAVING <conditions>
```

This template is typical of queries where users are interested in obtaining metrics at a specified level of aggregation. We support other query templates but for ease of exposition we restrict ourselves to this primary use case. We examine various code generation strategies using queries against the table in the example given below. Each query highlights a key facet of MDX code generation. We then present the MDX code generation algorithm in its entirety.

Consider a cube, Sales, with two hierarchies: *Time* (Levels: Year, Quarter) and *Store* (Levels: Store Country, Store State) and one measure: Unit Sales. In the corresponding repository we have a cubetable T(Store Country, Store State, Year, Quarter, Unit

Sales). Let the aggregation rule associated with Unit Sales be SUM.

Query 1 [Multiple dimensions plus measure with matching aggregate rule]

This query requires us to crossjoin two dimensions to obtain the tuples to be placed on rows. We can directly use the member [Unit Sales] because the aggregation rule in the query matches that of the measure.

Query 2 [Measure with non-matching aggregate rule]

```
Select Store Country, Year, AVG(Unit Sales)
From T
Group By Store Country, Year
with
 set [A] as '[[Store Country].members]'
 set [B] as '{[Year].members}
 set [C] as 'nonemptycrossjoin({[A]),{[B]})'
 member [measures].[MS1] as
'AVG (nonemptycrossjoin (Descendants (Store.currentme
mber, [Store State]),
Descendants(Time.currentmember, [Quarter]) ), [Unit
Salesl)'
select
    {[MS1]} on columns,
    {[C]} on rows
from [Sales]
```

For each combination of country and year we need to find the average sales. The measure needs to be explicitly computed because AVG differs from the aggregation rule associated with [Unit Sales] which is SUM. This requires us to model the measure as a calculated measure [MS1], where each value at the grain of Store state and Quarter is examined to compute the average sale. We are making use of the MDX WITH section to define named sets and calculated measures. Sets A and B are named sets which are used to store the dimensional members while set C consists of the tuples obtained by crossjoining A and to obtain all possible combinations of countries and years.

Query 3 [Single dimension with multiple levels plus measure]

```
Select Store Country, Store State, SUM(Unit Sales)
From T
Group By Store Country, Store State
```

```
with
  member [measures].[CountryAnc] as
'ancestor(Store.Currentmember,[Store
Country]).name'
```

```
set [A] as 'Descendants([Store],[Store State])' select \{\{Measures\}.\{CountryAnc\},\{Unit Sales\}\}\} on columns, \{\{A\}\}\} on rows From [Sales]
```

In this query we require multiple levels of the same dimension. In the MDX language a tuple can only contain one member from a single dimension. We handle this by modeling Store Country, the level closer to the root, as a calculated member using the Ancestor function. If we changed the order of country and state in the SELECT list we would still generate the same MDX query. This is an example of a query where the post processing protocol ensures that two different queries result in different answers.

Query 4 [Multiple dimensions plus measure with matching aggregate rule, predicate refers to GROUP BY columns]

```
Select Store Country, Year, SUM(Unit Sales)
From T
Where Store Country In ('USA', 'India') AND Year = '1997'
Group By Store Country, Year
Alternative 1
```

#### Anemanve i

```
Alternative 2
with
   set {A} as '{filter([Store Country].members,
   Store.currentmember.name = "USA" OR
   Store.currentmember.name = "India"))'
   set {B} as '{filter([Year].members,
   time.currentmember.name = "1997") }'
   set {C} as 'nonemptycrossjoin({{A}},{{B}})'
   set {C} to columns,
   {{Unit Sales}} on columns,
   {{C}} or rows
   from {Sales}
```

This query illustrates how the WHERE clause is processed. In the first MDX query the WHERE clause is executed after the crossjoin. In the second query we break the WHERE clause into constituents which are applied on each dimension before the crossjoin. The second query is more efficient since a crossjoin is a very expensive operation and its input sets are smaller in this case. Relational systems typically have optimizers that are responsible for optimizations like push down of predicates. Optimizers for sultidimensional data sources are less mature and hence it is critical to generate the second query. This optimization cannot be carried out for all classes of predicates. For example, if we substitute the AND in the query with an OR the disjunctive predicate will have to be evaluated after the crossjoin.

Query 5 [Multiple levels of multiple dimensions plus measure with matching aggregate rule, predicates refer to unprojected and projected levels]

Select Store Country, Store State, year, SUM(Unit Sales)

From T Where Store Country = 'USA' AND Store State = 'CA' AND quarter IN ('Q3', 'Q4') Group By Store Country, Store State, Year with member [Measures].[CountryAnc] as 'ancestor (Store . Currentmember, [Store Country]).name' set [A] as 'filter( {[Store Country ].members], Store.currentmember.name = "USA")' set[B] as'Filter( Generate ({[A]}, Descendants ([Store].currentmember,[Store].[Store State])), [Store].currentmember.name= "CA" )' set [C] as '{[Time].[Year].members} as 'nonemptycrossjoin({{B]},{[C]})' set [D] member [measures].[MS1] as 'SUM (filter (Descendants (Time.currentmember, [Quarte r]), Time.currentmember.name = "Q3" OR Time.currentmember.name = "Q4"), [Unit Sales])' select ([Measures].[CountryAnc], [Measures]. [MS1] on columns,

In this query, we have predicates on multiple levels of a dimension. We apply the predicate to the named set containing members at the Country level. We use the generate function to obtain the descendants at the state level only of the members of the previously created named set. Notice that we explicitly compute the sum of sales at the quarter grain. This illustrates that even for matching aggregate rules, we cannot always use precomputed aggregates at the backend data source.

# 5.1.1 MDX Code Generation Algorithm for SELECT-FROM-WHERE-GROUP BY Queries The Input: SQL Query

Output: MDX query and corresponding Protocol List

([D]) on rows

From [Sales]

- Examine SELECT list of query. If multiple levels from a dimension are present, create the appropriate calculated Ancestor members.
- Convert WHERE clause to CNF. If a conjunct can be associated with a single level of a single dimension, add it to the list of conjuncts marked for early evaluation.
- 3. For every dimension, create a named set for each projected level. If any filters marked for early evaluation are applicable, apply them in the definition of the named set. If named sets are created for multiple levels of a dimension, the latest named set is sourced from previously created named sets.
- Create a named set ([Q]) corresponding to the set obtained by crossjoining the lowest projected named set for each dimension. Applicable cross dimensional filters are applied here.

- For each aggregate in the project list which does not have a matching aggregate rule, create a new calculated member which aggregates over all required cells.
- Output all ancestors, measures and calculated members on columns, named set [Q] on rows.
- 7. If HAVING clause is present, apply predicates on [Q]

Other query templates such as SELECT-FROM-WHERE queries will have a code generation algorithm which is similar in spirit.

#### 6. CONCLUSIONS AND FUTURE WORK

In this paper we described how to model and query multidimensional data sources within Siebel Analytics. This is achieved by modeling multidimensional data sources as cubetables - relational tables augmented with hierarchy and level metadata in the physical layer. We showed examples of various SQL queries translated to MDX and highlighted the performance issues with different alternatives. We examined how various classes of WHERE clause predicates are supported in MDX. Given that the result of a MDX query is a multidimensional data set, we described how this output is mapped to a relational rowset. This ability to handle both relational and multidimensional data in a single integrated framework fulfills a critical business need.

We are pursuing several areas of future work. There is considerable variance in MDX support from different vendors. Restricted MDX support implies modifying our MDX code generation algorithms and post processing protocols. Overall query response time is best when we minimize the amount of data fetched to the middle tier. We aim to support as wide a template of SQL queries as possible so that the resultant MDX results in a minimal set of data being fetched. Cubetables currently model only balanced hierarchies. Modeling parent child hierarchies needs new metadata and new MDX code generation algorithms.

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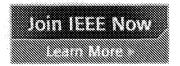
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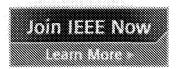
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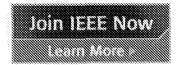
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